

## SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue and authority of a special execution issued from the office of the clerk of the circuit court of Iron County, Missouri, and to me, the undersigned sheriff, directed in favor of the State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of E. D. Burnham, collector of the revenue from Iron County, Missouri, plaintiff, and against

Murdoch-Crumb Company, a Corporation, organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of West Virginia, Defendant,

bearing date January 24, 1916, and returnable to the April term, 1916, thereof, I have levied upon the following described real estate and property, lying and being in Iron County, Missouri, as the property of the defendant, described as follows, to-wit:

Tract No. 1—Tract 11, in Section 2, Township 33, north, Range 3 east, containing 10.29 acres, as shown by Murdoch-Crumb Company's Plat Book Three.

Tract No. 2—Tract 22, in Section 12, Township 33, north, Range 3 east, containing 10.29 acres, as shown by Murdoch-Crumb Company's Plat Book Three.

Tract No. 3—Tract 17, in Section 14, Township 33, north, Range 3 east, containing 10.29 acres, as shown by Murdoch-Crumb Company's Plat Book Three.

Tract No. 4—Tract 1, in Section 32, Township 34, north, Range 3 east, containing 10.29 acres, as shown by Murdoch-Crumb Company's Plat Book Three.

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# BERNSTORFF MAY GET HIS PASSPORTS

CAUGHT IN A TRAP WITH VON  
IGEL'S PAPERS—NO DOUBT  
ABOUT ACTIVITIES.

GERMANY WILL NOT GIVE  
UP SUBMARINE WARFARE

Can Go No Further in Concessions to  
U. S. Is Unofficial Statement—  
Anxious to Retain American Good  
Will—Confident Way Can Be Found  
to Encompass Both Aims.

Washington. — Ambassador von Bernstorff has been caught in a trap from which he cannot escape if Washington's interpretation of the last few days' developments be correct. Washington has come to the conclusion that the German embassy faces the necessity of admitting improper activities or having the fact proved against it. Whether Count von Bernstorff can show Washington is wrong remains to be seen.

Papers taken from the offices of Wolke von Igel, former secretary of Capt. von Papen, and himself accredited to the embassy, form the principal basis of this belief. The confession of Horst von der Goltz, the alleged spy recently returned by the courts from London, and a copy of which is in possession of the authorities, forms another important element. The documents seized in von Igel's office constitute a mass of testimony, which if acknowledged as official will result in the ambassador's immediate dismissal, and if denied might result in a prosecution for conspiracy.

Can't Give In.  
Berlin.—Germany can go no further in her submarine concessions to the United States, says Admiral von Holtzendorff, chief of the German admiralty staff in an interview just given to the public.

"But remember," said this high official, during the interview, "we have no desire to break with the United States. That would be insanity. We shall not bring that about despite our desire to punish our enemies with a vigorous submarine warfare."

Tuning Up Navy.  
Boston. — Thirty warships which have been lying in Boston harbor in need of certain incidental repairs and awaiting the employment of civilian workmen are being put in first class repair by the mechanics of the navy department. In themselves they are not a particularly formidable branch of our fighting ships, but this action indicates that similar steps will be taken at all other ports where vessels of our navy have been laid up.

Address to Congress.

Washington.—President Wilson told congress, assembled in joint session shortly after 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, he had given irrevocable notification to Germany that the United States will break off diplomatic relations if her illegal submarine campaign is continued.

A note, America's last word, practically an ultimatum and demanding an immediate reply, presumably was in the Berlin foreign office as the president was speaking. It was dispatched Tuesday night, in accordance with the president's plan to have it before the German government at the same moment he was addressing the American congress.

When he concluded with expression of hope that Germany would so act as to avert a regrettable break with America the assembly broke into cheers.

The president spoke as follows:

"A situation has arisen in the foreign relations of the country of which it is my plain duty to inform you very frankly.

"It will be recalled that in February, 1915, the imperial German government announced its intention to treat the waters surrounding Great Britain and Ireland as embraced within the zone of war, and destroy all merchant ships owned by its enemies that might be found within any part of that portion of the high seas, and that it warned all vessels of neutral as well as of belligerent ownership, to keep out of the waters it had thus prescribed, or else enter them at their peril.

"The government of the United States earnestly protested. It took the position that such a policy could

Kind-Hearted.  
He (brutally): Women have no sense of humor, anyhow.

She (pointedly): Oh, yes, they have. The reason they don't laugh at the funny things they see is because they don't want to hurt the poor things' feelings.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

High-Priced Doctor.  
Doctor: To take the rest cure it will cost you \$100 a week.

Henpeck: Why, doctor, I can send my wife away to the country for half that.

His Fee.  
A young couple went to a minister's house to get married. After the ceremony the bridegroom drew the clergyman aside and said in a whisper:

"I'm sorry I have no money to pay your fee, but if you'll take me down into the cellar I'll show you how to fix your gas meter so that it won't register."

Going Anyway.  
Novelist: How are my novel going?

Retail Bookseller: I can't imagine, sir, unless it's shoplifters.—Puck.

not be pursued without the practical certainty of gross and palpable violations of the law of nations, particularly if submarine craft were to be employed as its instruments, inasmuch as the rules prescribed by that law, rules founded upon principles of humanity and established for the protection of the lives of noncombatants at sea, could not in the nature of the case be observed by such vessels.

Bases Protest on Natural Rights.

"It based its protest on the ground that persons of neutral nationality and vessels of neutral ownership would be exposed to extreme and intolerable risks, and that no right to close any part of the high seas against their use or expose them to such risks could lawfully be asserted by any belligerent government. The law of nations in these matters, upon which the government of the United States based its protest, is not of recent origin or founded upon merely arbitrary principles set up by convention.

"It is based, on the contrary, upon manifest and imperative principles of humanity, and has long been established with the approval and by the express assent of all civilized nations.

"Notwithstanding the earnest protest of our government, the Imperial German government at once proceeded to carry out the policy it had announced.

"It expressed the hope that the dangers involved, at any rate the dangers to neutral vessels, would be reduced to a minimum by the instructions which it had issued to its submarine commanders, and assured the government of the United States that it would take every possible precaution both to respect the rights of neutrals and to safeguard the lives of noncombatants.

"What has actually happened in the year which has since elapsed has shown that those hopes were not justified, these assurances insusceptible of being fulfilled. In pursuance of the policy of submarine warfare against the commerce of its adversaries thus announced and entered upon by the Imperial German government in despite of the solemn protest of this government, the commanders of German undersea vessels have attacked merchant ships with greater and greater activity, not only upon the high seas surrounding Great Britain and Ireland, but wherever they could encounter them, in a way that has grown more and more ruthless, more and more indiscriminate as the months have gone by, less and less observant of restraints of any kind; and have delivered their attacks without compunction against vessels of every nationality and bound upon every sort of errand.

Neutral Vessels Destroyed.

"Vessels of neutral ownership, even from neutral port to neutral port, have been destroyed along with vessels of belligerent ownership in constantly increasing numbers. Sometimes the merchantman attacked has been warned and summoned to surrender before being fired upon or torpedoed; sometimes passengers or crews have been rescued, but the poor security of being allowed to take to the ship's boats before she was sent to the bottom.

"But again and again no warning has been given, no escape even to the ship's boats allowed to those on board. What this government foresaw must happen has happened. Tragedy has followed tragedy on the seas in such fashion, with such attendant circumstances, as to make it grossly evident that warfare of such a sort, if warfare it be, cannot be carried on without the most palpable violation of the dictates alike of right and humanity. Whatever the disposition and intention of the Imperial German government, it has manifestly proved impossible for it to keep such methods of attack upon the commerce of its enemies within the bounds set by either the reason or the heart of mankind.

"In February of the present year the Imperial German government informed this government and the other neutral governments of the world that it had reason to believe that the government of Great Britain had armed all merchant vessels of British ownership and had given them secret orders to attack any submarine of the enemy they might encounter upon the seas and that the Imperial German government felt justified in the circumstances in treating all armed merchantmen of belligerent ownership as auxiliary vessels of war, which it would have the right to destroy without warning.